

## House Resolution 1953

By: Representatives Murphy of the 120<sup>th</sup>, Howard of the 121<sup>st</sup>, and Frazier of the 123<sup>rd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring and commending the Reverend Marvin McRae on the occasion of his tenth  
2 pastoral anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Reverend Marvin McRae has served as the esteemed pastor of the historic Mt.  
4 Vernon Missionary Baptist Church in Augusta, Georgia, for the past ten years; and

5 WHEREAS, Reverend McRae has been an extraordinary spiritual leader and a steadfast  
6 source of guidance throughout his distinguished career with this great church; and

7 WHEREAS, he has served his community and the State of Georgia well; and

8 WHEREAS, he was born in Lumber City, Georgia, to Estella and Durand Gay; and

9 WHEREAS, he received his early education in the public schools of Telfair County, Georgia,  
10 before attending Paine College in Augusta, Georgia, where he earned a Bachelor of Art  
11 Degree in philosophy and religion; and

12 WHEREAS, he also studied at Troy State where he earned a Master's Degree in Education  
13 Leadership and at Argosy University where he earned an Educational Specialist Degree and  
14 Doctorate Degree in Education; and

15 WHEREAS, this devoted and loving father was called into the ministry at 17 years of age  
16 and is now able to pass along the spirit with which he was filled early on in life to his own  
17 children; and

18 WHEREAS, he has served as associate minister at Beulah Grove Baptist Church, Tabernacle  
19 Baptist Church, Mt. Canaan Baptist Church, and the House of God Holiness Church and as  
20 pastor of Metropolitan Baptist Church and Mt. Transfiguration Baptist Church; and

1 WHEREAS, in addition to his ministerial involvement, he has proudly served as an active  
2 member in many civic, fraternal, and professional organizations and has received many  
3 awards and honors for his valuable contributions in these areas; and

4 WHEREAS, Reverend McRae's many achievements will stand as symbols of dignity, pride,  
5 and honor for his congregation and the citizens of this state for generations to come; and

6 WHEREAS, with the insightful and charismatic leadership of Reverend McRae, who has  
7 dedicated his life to spreading the good news of the gospel throughout this state, Mt. Vernon  
8 Baptist Church shall remain steadfast and loyal to the mission of witnessing to and serving  
9 God's people through prayer, worship, education, fellowship, ministering to those in need,  
10 and liberating the oppressed all for the Glory of God.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
12 the members of this body honor the Reverend Marvin McRae on the occasion of his tenth  
13 pastoral anniversary at Mount Vernon Missionary Baptist Church, express to him their  
14 immense gratitude and respect for his many years of service, and convey their most sincere  
15 best wishes for continued health, happiness, and success in his walk with God.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
17 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Marvin McRae.